

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

HOUSE BILL 1972

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RETAIL FISH SELLERS

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Yeas 91 Nays 0

FRANK CHOPP

Speaker of the House of Representatives

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Yeas 49 Nays 0

BRAD OWEN

President of the Senate

Approved May 16, 2003.

GARY LOCKE

Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

I, Cynthia Zehnder, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **HOUSE BILL 1972** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

CYNTHIA ZEHNDER

Chief Clerk

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By Representative Hatfield

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Ecology & Parks.

1 AN ACT Relating to the accounting of the commercial harvest of food
2 fish; adding a new section to chapter 77.15 RCW; and prescribing
3 penalties.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 77.15 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 Since violation of rules of the department relating to the
8 accounting of the commercial harvest of food fish, commercialized game
9 fish, and shellfish result in damage to the resources of the state,
10 persons selling such fish and shellfish at retail, including but not
11 limited to stores, markets, and restaurants, must maintain sufficient
12 records for the department to be able to ascertain the origin of the
13 fish and shellfish in their possession.

14 (1) A retail fish seller is guilty of retail fish seller's failure
15 to account for commercial harvest if the retail seller sells fish or
16 shellfish at retail, the fish or shellfish were required to be entered
17 on a Washington state fish receiving ticket, the seller is not a
18 wholesale fish dealer or fisher selling under a direct retail sale

1 endorsement, and the seller fails to maintain sufficient records at the
2 location where the fish or shellfish are being sold to determine the
3 following:

4 (a) The name of the wholesale fish dealer or fisher selling under
5 a direct retail sale endorsement from whom the fish were purchased;

6 (b) The wholesale fish dealer's license number or the number of the
7 fisher's sale under a direct retail sale endorsement;

8 (c) The fish receiving ticket number documenting original receipt,
9 if known;

10 (d) The date of purchase; and

11 (e) The amount of fish or shellfish originally purchased from the
12 wholesale dealer or fisher selling under a direct retail sale
13 endorsement.

14 (2) A retail fish seller's failure to account for commercial
15 harvest is a misdemeanor.

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